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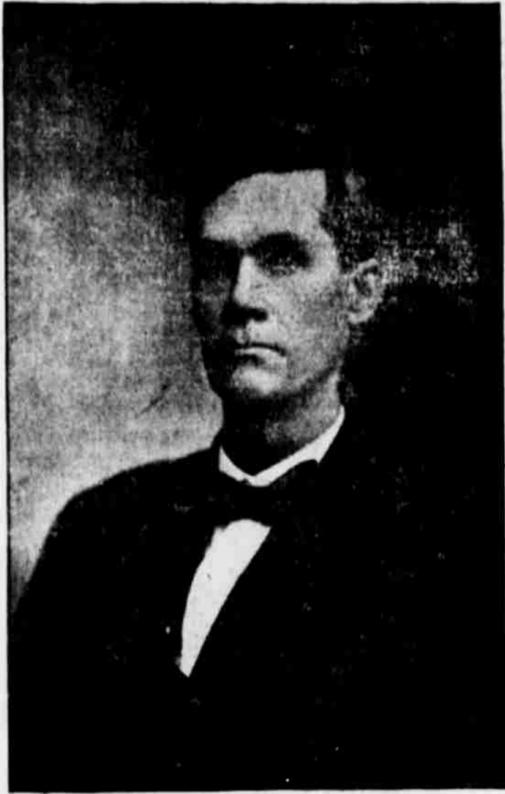
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## For State Senator, Twenty-first District



### Hon. C. P. Hawkins of Dunklin County

Mr. Hawkins has represented his county in the legislature several terms and is the present member. He was in our county last week getting acquainted with the people, and expressed himself as being well pleased with the outlook.

#### Phoenix, Arizona

JUNE 24, 1912.

Press, Marble Hill, Mo.

We are advised that the Honorable Mr. Hensley who now represents your district in congress is a candidate for re-election.

It has been our good fortune to become intimately acquainted with Mr. Hensley, he having been a member of the Congressional Committee on Expenditures in the Interior department which recently investigated the affairs of the Salt River Reclamation project in this city. This investigation was for the purpose of uncovering and correcting abuses which existed in the administration of said project and this Association feels that it would fail in the discharge of its full duty if it did not express its appreciation of the able, fearless and impartial manner in which Mr. Hensley discharged his duties in connection with this investigation; and we feel that his reelection would, by your district, be an act of friendship toward the state of Arizona.

Yours very truly

SAM BARRETT, Secretary Land Owner's Protective Association.

(P. S.) This favor is not solicited by Mr. Hensley.

The above letter speaks for itself, and adds to the evidence that Mr. Hensley is a valuable public servant and by faithfully and honestly serving the people he is winning their confidence and esteem.

#### From El Campo, Texas.

From inquiries, I believe a number of our Bollinger county friends would be interested in learning somewhat of present conditions in this district and I would be pleased to greet them thru THE PRESS.

I have described this district to a number of them as a level prairie country with some timber bordering the streams. The soil ranges from a chocolate or sandy loam to black hog-wallow.

We are located 75 miles southwest of Houston, and 35 miles from the gulf. We have the benefits of

gulf breezes and are free from some objections to locations nearer, Houston and Galveston give us good market outlets for our products and the opening of the Panama Canal is expected to increase our market facilities.

We have good schools, churches of various denominations, well graded roads and a neighborhood of good people, mostly from the more northern states, a number of them being from Missouri, and we find some from the southeast part.

The people are generally healthy, happy and prosperous and as to the general prosperity I might mention there are considerable more than one hundred automobiles in and around this town, many farmers finding them convenient, and I suppose profitable; one farmer using his automobile for traction purposes on the roads and for plowing.

Spring started rather late with us this year, as it did in other sections of the country, but since the real spring opening we have been favored with weather that seems specially suited for the cultivation and growth of our crops. We have had sufficient open weather so that farmers could properly prepare and cultivate the ground and plenty of rainfall at the right time, so that all crops seem to have done their best. Our earlier crops, truck patches, berries etc., were superlatively good, the only objection was that there was not enough berries to supply the home demand. Strawberries and cultivated blackberries sold here at 15 to 25 cents per quart. Potatoes on our black land did quite well. Growing them in quantities on this soil was a new venture which proved very satisfactory, though the potato crop in the Caney Valley district was not so good as expected.

Our corn is practically made at this time, much of it being too hard for roasting ears; it is of good growth and color and we have estimates on a number of fields producing 50 bushels and more per acre. Broom-corn is doing finely and now about

ready for breaking. Broomcorn from this district finds a special demand and a special price on account of earliness and quality. Cotton is looking fine, as good as the district ever had; considerable cotton is in bloom. Rice is also doing well. It stood out well and has good growth. Rice is one of our principal crops. The estimate of rice marketed here last year was over a million dollars. There are a number of acres planted to watermelons this year which is another new venture as a market crop, that promises very good returns. Home grown melons have been on the market for several days and the quality is fine. We have had cantaloupes for a couple weeks that have as good flavor as those of the Rocky Ford district.

The present prospects are that our earlier expectations will be fully realized. Everybody is happy and wearing a smile as broad as Taft's used to be. Politics does not worry us, we have something else to do that is of more personal interest.

By the way, we have a W. M. C. boy with us this summer, looking over the country and learning its farming methods. He seems much pleased with the country and the only complaint we hear from him is when he fails to receive an expected letter. If Franklin Sitzes does not decide to stay with us it will be because of a special call back to southeast Missouri.

We would be glad to hear from any of our Bollinger county friends and shall be pleased to answer all letters. Yours truly,

JUNE 28, 1912. H. A. CLARK.

#### Curran's Democracy

John H. Curran, a former Hadley appointee, has withdrawn from the race for the democratic nomination for railroad and warehouse commissioner, giving as a reason, it is said, his deep admiration for Theodore Roosevelt and his great love and respect for the present governor of Missouri—things inconsistent in any man seeking favors at the hands of the democratic voters of the state. This is interesting. It is particularly interesting to the Argus, which on January 12, 1912, published the following editorial:

"John H. Curran, of St. Louis, announces this week his candidacy for the democratic nomination for railroad and warehouse commissioner. The Argus has always thought that it knew a little about Missouri state politics, but it confesses that it didn't know that Curran was a democrat. When Herbert S. Hadley was elected governor one of his first acts was to appoint John H. Curran immigration commissioner. He accepted the job like a hungry mud-cat grabbing a grubworm. If he is a democrat he has been trotting in some mighty bad company.

The Argus is not in favor of Mr. Curran. It is not in favor of any democrat whose loyalty to his party is not sufficiently strong to kill his appetite for republican pie. Mr. Curran may be a good man. He may be competent. But there are plenty of democrats in Missouri who are equally trustworthy and deserving and whose hands are not tainted with doubtful odors. This is no time for monkey business. The time has come to draw party lines and draw them tight. One of the issues in this state is Hadleyism. Could Mr. Curran—or would he—fight it as it ought to be fought? Better let him alone until the smell wears off, at any rate."

Friends of Curran took the Argus mildly to task for its unfavorable comment on his candidacy, and Mr. Curran himself came out to Clayton expounded at length on his long and faithful party record, told how he didn't like Hadley, declared himself to be a democrat of the old stock and said he was as far from being

## Revival Meetings

Lutesville, Missouri

Led by Evangelist



W. A. TETLEY

BEGIN JULY 7, 1912

The Chorus Choir

.....will be directed by.....

F. R. STOVER

Cornetist and Chorister

This is your meeting

a republican as any man living. The Argus gave him the benefit of the doubt and printed an explanatory statement in his behalf, for which it now apologizes to its readers. But it feels that it is more to be congratulated on its original position, the correctness of which is now fully established.—Clayton Argus.

#### Southeast News.

De Soto Press.

Last Tuesday while the men were working on Third street, in front of Mrs. Morse's residence, they blasted out some of the finest specimens of lead and tuff that we have ever seen. Those who know say that the indications are that there is plenty of ore in that vicinity. The find may be important and may result in a lead mine in the heart of the city. Specimens of the ore may be seen at the Press office.

Ironton Register.

Hampton Devine, 65 years of age, of Cadet, Mo., was killed by a train one mile south of Irondale Monday. The coroner, F. W. McFadden, found 20 cents in money and a slip of paper with the above name and address in his pockets. The remains were buried at Irondale. This is the second man, within the past two months, to be killed by trains at nearly the same spot. The other was a young man from Elvins, by the name of Andrew Turnbull.

Jackson Items.

Will Heyde had an exceptional streak of luck at the cutoff near Dutchtown last Saturday, when he landed a black bass weighing seven pounds, caught with a fly. This fine fish was exhibited and weighed here and afterwards sent to St. Louis to be mounted. A seven-pound bass is about what a catfish weighing one hundred pounds would be—a rare specimen. Mr. Heyde saw another bass swimming in the water which he considered even larger, but could not tempt it to strike.

#### The Corn From Now On.

It will be noticed that after a shower or heavy rain a crust will soon form on the land. This crust on a hot, dry, windy day an enormous amount of water escapes into the air. This cracked crust is our worst corn enemy during dry weather in July and August. The treatment is to break the crust and fill up the cracks as soon as the ground is dry enough after a rain has fallen. This may be done with most any sort of tool. When the corn is too high for a two horse power cultivator some one horse implement should be used, being careful not to go too close to the roots of the corn. Mashing the clods, breaking the crust and filling the cracks is like spreading a blanket over the ground to prevent the evaporation of water.

The dryer the weather the oftener the surface should be stirred, at least to the extent of each week or ten days till the corn is practically made.—S. M. JORDAN, Mgr. Pettis County Bureau of Agriculture.

#### Had Enough of Canada.

Roy Hiskey, a Kansas farmer who went to Canada several years ago and took a homestead and became a subject of Great Britain, after three years' residence there, was before the district clerk at Seneca the other day to be reinstated as a citizen of the United States. He found, however, that like any other alien, he must conform with the naturalization laws, and so only declared his intention. It will take two years before he can be a citizen of the United States. This is the first application of this nature filed in a Kansas court. People who are enticed away to Canada by extravagantly worded advertisements of that country find their mistake sooner or later, and are glad to return to the more salubrious climate of the middle west. For good farms and a pleasant home no section surpasses Missouri.—Farming-ton Times.

#### The Home Town

People seldom stop to consider how much their town means to them. They take it too much for granted, and in counting up their blessings make a superficial inventory that fails to credit the source from which many of their dearest benefits flow.

It is easy to overlook the home town in sunning up the sources of one's happiness because the town is such a large all-enveloping thing—so large, in fact, that it's hard to see—and the citizen blindly draws sustenance from it like an infant from its mother. Traced to their source most of life's blessings will be found to have their root in that aggregation of human beings and human interests known as a town.

The town is the unit of modern civilization and is the channel through which civilization confers its benefits. There is scarcely a phase of civilization that does not find direct and specific expression in the life and organization of a town that is large enough to have a school, a courthouse, a library, a bank, a mill or factory, a church, a waterworks, a brass band, a newspaper and a railroad station, representing education, jurisprudence, literature, finance, industry, religion, hygiene, art, and the speedy distribution of intelligence and commodities, these institutions express all that is highest and best in human achievement.

If civilization is good, then the home town is good, and the citizens should be proud and thankful of it. Instead of casting wonderful and envious glances at a New York, let us glow with pride for our own little city, realizing that the difference is only one of degree and not of kind.—DeSoto Republican

The Modern Woodmen of America will expend about \$150,000 this year in the improvement of the Society's Sanatorium for Tuberculosis at Colorado Springs. With the improvements completed the establishment will be a model of its kind. It is open free of charge to all Beneficial members of the Society in good standing.—Woodman Bulletin.

#### Order of Publication

STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Bollinger, ss. In the Circuit court, September term, 1912.

State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of W. L. Damm, collector, p'ff against

The unknown heirs and legal representatives of Matthew Bradley, defendants. At this day comes the plaintiff herein, by his attorney, W. K. Chandler, and files his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendants, The unknown heirs and legal representatives of Matthew Bradley are not residents of the state of Missouri.

Whereupon, it is ordered by the clerk in vacation, that said defendants be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against them in this court, the object and general nature of the petition filed is the enforcement of the lien of the state upon the real property in the petition described, situated in said county, viz:

The west half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section seventeen (17), township thirty-three (33) north, range nine (9) east, containing twenty (20) acres.

And that unless the said The unknown heirs and legal representatives of Matthew Bradley be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, in said county, on the 2nd Monday of September next, and on or before the 1st day of said term, answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in THE MARBLE HILL PRESS, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the county of Bollinger and state of Missouri.

JESSE A. MCGLOTHLIN, Circuit Clerk. A true copy from the record. Witness my hand, and the seal of the [L. S.] Circuit court of Bollinger county, this 14th day of June, 1912. JESSE A. MCGLOTHLIN, Circuit Clerk.